

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 1-3 and 11 have been canceled.

New claim 22 has been added.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 4-10 and 12-22 are now pending in this application.

Prior Art Rejections

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. 4,061,187. Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. 6,196,168. Claims 1-3 and 11 have been canceled. Claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 5, which the Office indicated as including allowable subject matter. Applicant respectfully submits that the prior art rejections have been overcome. Withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the indication that claims 5-10 and 12-21 contain allowable subject matter. Claims 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, and 16 have been amended to place them in independent form. All other claims depend from these allowable claims.

Applicant submits that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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